



# U.S. Route 101

## Auxiliary Lanes Project

Summer 2003

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### Project Background

U.S. Route 101 is the primary freeway running north-south through San Mateo County. The 4.5-mile (7.1km) stretch of U.S. Route 101 being studied for this project passes through a highly developed area consisting of residential, commercial and light industrial areas in San Mateo, Burlingame, and Millbrae. U.S. Route 101 also serves the San Francisco International Airport. The Auxiliary Lanes Project will improve traffic flow along the corridor by connecting the on-ramp at one interchange with the off-ramp of the next interchange allowing the freeway to operate more efficiently.

### Project Description

Recognizing the freeway's important role in regional travel and to improve safety and mobility, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) have made this project a priority. The proposed project will add an auxiliary lane in both directions of U.S. Route 101, just south of Millbrae Avenue, in the City of Burlingame, to Third Avenue in the City of San Mateo. This project, along with other local, regional and state projects, will improve the operation of U.S. Route 101 in San Mateo County. Specific improvements are shown on the map below:

### Goals

The project includes the following improvements:

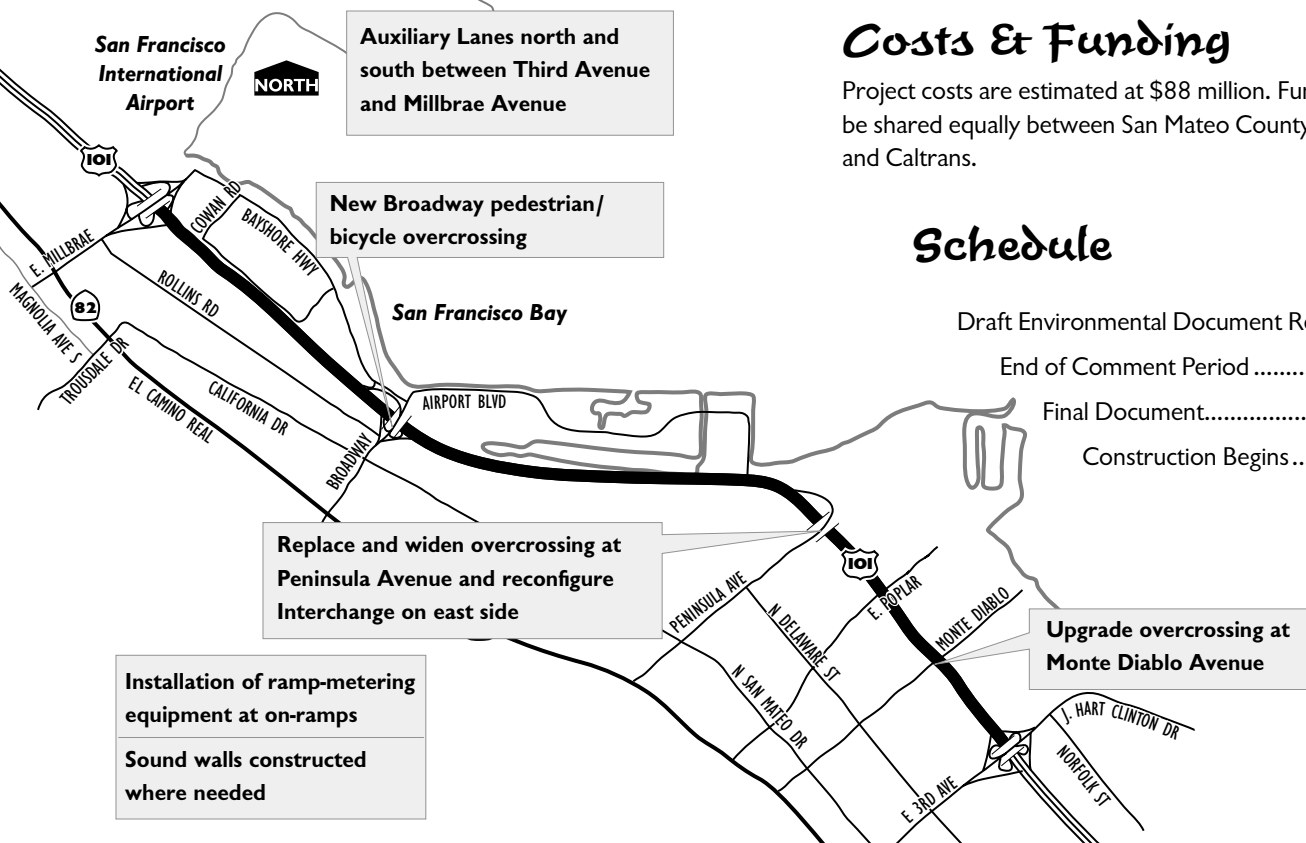
- ♦ Reduces weaving and merging conflicts
- ♦ Improves overall freeway system performance and safety
- ♦ Enhances pedestrian and bicycle access over freeway
- ♦ Mitigates increased noise levels

### Benefits

The addition of auxiliary lanes and other major components of the project will provide San Mateo County with:

- ♦ Decreased congestion
- ♦ Decreased travel time
- ♦ Improved safety
- ♦ Improved pedestrian and bicycle mobility

### Project Area Map



### Costs & Funding

Project costs are estimated at \$88 million. Funding is designated and will be shared equally between San Mateo County Transportation Authority and Caltrans.

### Schedule

Draft Environmental Document Released.....July 28, 2003  
End of Comment Period .....August 29, 2003  
Final Document.....October 2003  
Construction Begins.....Summer 2004

# Congestion Relief along U.S. Route 101 in San Mateo County Planned

## Environmental Document Available

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) & Federal Highway Administration, in cooperation with the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) have prepared a draft Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA). The studies show that with incorporation of mitigation measures, the project will not significantly impact the environment. The draft IS/EA is available for review. Public and agency comments on the draft must be submitted by August 29, 2003.

To review the document during normal business hours, visit:

**Burlingame Library**

480 Primrose Road, Burlingame, CA 94010

**Millbrae Library**

801 Magnolia Avenue, Millbrae, CA 94030

**San Mateo City Hall, Office of City Clerk**

330 West 20th Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403

**SMCTA Offices**

1250 San Carlos Avenue, 3rd Floor, San Carlos, CA 94070

**Caltrans District 4 Offices**

111 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94623

**The Project Web Site:** [www.SMCTA.com](http://www.SMCTA.com)

Or

To request a copy of the environmental document in CD-ROM or hard copy format, or to forward written comments, contact:

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## join us!

### U.S. Route 101 Auxiliary Lanes Open House

Date: **Tuesday, August 19, 2003**

Time: **5:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

Location: **Poplar Creek Golf Course**

Dominic's Restaurant

1700 Coyote Point Drive

San Mateo

(This location is wheelchair accessible )

### Meeting Purpose

The Open House will present the project's purpose and need and provide an opportunity for the public to review and comment on the draft environmental document. Maps and exhibits will be on display and project representatives available to answer questions.

The open house is part of the formal environmental review process and is a requirement under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Individuals requiring special accommodations should call the Caltrans Public Affairs Office at (408) XXX-XXXX at least five days before the scheduled meeting. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD Line at (800) 735-2929, or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

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